IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Geoffrey B. Rhoads

Title: METHOD AND SYSTEMS FOR INSERTING

WATERMARKS IN DIGITAL SIGNALS

Appl. No.: 09/538493

Appl. Filing Date: 3/30/2000

Examiner: Matthew Smithers

Art Unit: 2437

Confirmation

8045

Number:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
 - a. Previously submitted:

[]	Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on						
[]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not considered.						
[]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on						
[]	Other						
b. End	b. Enclosed are:						
[X]	Amendment/Reply.						
[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).						
[X]	Information Disclosure Statement.						
[X]	Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of 0 listed reference(s).						
[X]	Other Notification of Loss of Entitlement to Small Entity Status.						
Miscellaneous:							
[]	Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37						
	C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months.						
The filing fee is calculated below:							

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present		Rate	•	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):						\$810.00	=	\$810.00
Total Claims:	21	-	133	= 0	х	\$52.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	12	-	49	= 0	x	\$220.00	=	\$0.00
First pi	resentation o	f any	Multiple !	Dependent Claims:	+	\$390.00	=	\$0.00
-				CLAIMS	FEE	TOTAL:	_=	\$810.00

[] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$130.00	0	\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$490.00		\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,110.00		\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,730.00		\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,350.00		\$0.00
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	\$0.00			
	\$0.00			
	\$810.00			
[]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½	of above):		\$0.00
	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R.	§ 1.103(c)		\$0.00
	\$810.00			

The above-identified fees of \$810.00 are being paid by credit card via EFS-Web.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent indicated below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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